

RETAILERS GIVE ENDORSEMENT TO CITY HALL ISSUE

Merchants' Association Adopts Resolution Framed by Commercial Club

WILL TAKE ACTIVE PART

Members Plan to Get Out Next Tuesday and Push Bond Issues Through

The Cairo Retail Merchants' Association, by a unanimous vote, last night endorsed the bond issue for the City Hall. They also adopted the resolutions passed by the Commercial Club Wednesday night.

The Retail Merchants are the third organization, within two days, to give their endorsement to the proposed bond issue. Many of the members of all three will be workers at the special election next Tuesday.

Will Take Active Part.
The members of the Merchants' Association signified their intention of taking active part of the election and will work as hard for the \$15,000 issue for the library, as they will for the City Hall. All of the members signified their intention of voting for the measures and declared that they will get as many votes as possible.

How the Fourth of July will be celebrated and on what scale, was not decided. The committee, in charge of the celebration, suggested that the city be divided into six sections for the purpose of gathering contributions and were told to go ahead. A committee of three members will have charge of each district and they will poll the districts to see what the citizens want. They will report at a meeting next Friday.

Refund System.
A committee to look up the matter of refunding the fare of out-of-town customers was appointed. It is proposed to increase the system so as to cover territory within a radius of 50 or 100 miles instead of the distance now covered. The committee is composed of W. B. Halley, J. W. C. Fry, George T. Carnes, C. C. Terrell, H. R. Alsthorpe and Otto J. Fahr.

The report of the committee in charge of the ordinances requiring the appointment of a meat inspector and licensing of butchers, was read and the committee thanked for its work in putting the measures before the City Council. The ordinances have been endorsed by the Woman's Club.

WOOLEN PROBE IS PROPOSED

Strike Inquiry Results in Recommendation by House Committee on Rules

Washington, March 7.—An investigation of the American Woollen Co., its organization, capitalization, labor conditions and status as a corporation, it was reported, tonight, would be recommended to Congress by the House committee on rules, as a result of the preliminary inquiry which closed today into the strike of mill workers at Lawrence, Mass.

PINCHOT SWIPES ONE OF COLONEL'S PET WORDS

St. Paul, Minn., March 7.—"Bully" is the way Gifford Pinchot characterized the progress of the Roosevelt campaign, upon his arrival here, today. The charge made by Walter L. Houser, LaFollette's campaign manager, that George W. Perkins and the Steel trust are "good angels" of Roosevelt's campaign said Pinchot are "as untrue as the statement he made that Roosevelt had 'double-crossed' LaFollette."

SENATE MAKES MANY CHANGES IN TREATIES

Arbitration Pacts, With France and England, Passed After Being Amended

MONROE DOCTRINE PROTECTED

Clauses That Would Allow Interference With American Affairs Cut Out

Washington, March 7.—The arbitration treaties with Great Britain and France were adopted 76 to 3 by the Senate today, after the disputed clause 3 of article 3, relating to the joint high commission, had been stricken out, and after other amendments had been adopted barring from arbitration questions affecting the Monroe Doctrine, or other territorial integrity matters, admission of aliens into the United States and educational institutions and state indebtedness.

The result was a complete up-set of the administration's plan for quick action on arbitration, as the treaties now have to go back to Great Britain and France.

MOB TRYING TO GET FIVE NEGROES FROM A FLORIDA PRISON

Jacksonville, Fla., March 7.—A mob of several thousand men is threatening the county jail here for the purpose of lynching five negroes, arrested today, charged with the murder of Silverstein, and the assault of his wife and two small children, at an early hour Saturday morning. Steps are being taken to call out the state militia to protect the negroes.

MOTION, TO TAKE PACKERS' CASE FROM JURY, MADE

Attorneys Declare Government Has Failed to Prove Charge—Decision Monday

Chicago, March 7.—United States District Judge Carpenter was asked today to take the packers' case from the jury and discharge the ten defendants, accused of criminal violations of the Sherman law, on the ground that the government has failed to prove the offense described in the indictment.

Attorney Miller's argument in support of the motion was followed by Attorney Mayer. Argument of the counsel for the defense will be continued tomorrow and District Attorney Wilkerson will close for the government. It is expected that arguments will be concluded Saturday and then Judge Carpenter will give his decision on the motion Monday.

FIFTH MISSOURI ENDORSES ROOSEVELT FOR THE NOMINATION.

Kansas City, Mo., March 7.—Theodore Roosevelt was endorsed for the Republican presidential nomination by Republicans of the fifth Missouri congressional district, today, in the first preferential primary to be held in the United States. The congressional committee tonight announced the former president led all other candidates by about 15 to 1.

I. C. TRAINS DELAYED BECAUSE OF DERAILMENT

A Northbound extra freight train was derailed at Dongola at midnight and delayed traffic on the Illinois Central several hours. Seven or eight cars left the track and one was so near the Southbound track that trains could not pass until the wrecking crew arrived.

REPRESENTATIVES OF EUROPEAN MINERS, WHO MAY DECLARE GENERAL COAL STRIKE.



London, March 7.—With coal and food famine facing Great Britain the representatives of the International Miners' Federation are considering ordering a general strike that will stop work in the mines of France, Belgium, Germany and Austria and work has been stopped in Great

4 DEAD; 50 HURT AS TRAIN DROPS THROUGH BRIDGE

Span Breaks and Coaches of Wabash Limited Fall Into Indiana Stream

Danville, March 7.—Rounding a curve on a thirty-foot embankment at Red Wood Creek Bridge, two miles west of West Lebanon, Ind., west bound Central Limited on the Wabash left the rails tonight and rolled down the incline killing four persons and injuring 50 more. Seven coaches of the train were crushed into a pile at the bottom of a high embankment leading to a creek and it is feared that more dead may be beneath the crumpled cars.

LENROOT WITHDRAWS FOR FEAR OF HURTING COLONEL ROOSEVELT

Madison, Wis., March 7.—Because he did not want to appear as endorsing any attack on Col. Roosevelt, Congressman Lenroot of Wisconsin withdrew as a candidate for delegate-at-large on the LaFollette slate. State Treasurer Dahl will take Lenroot's place as candidate for delegate-at-large.

STRIKERS CHILDREN ARE TAKEN TO PHILADELPHIA

Philadelphia, Pa., March 7.—Forty children of striking textile operators of Lawrence, Mass., arrived today to be cared for until the labor troubles in the Massachusetts city are over. The youngsters were conveyed to the labor lyceum where they were given a feast before being turned over to the families that have volunteered to care for them.

TRIAL LASTING 5 MONTHS ENDED BY GUILTY PLEA

Members of Brokerage Firm Admit Law Violations After Record Hearing

New York, March 7.—Pleas of guilty by George Graham Rice and Bernard H. Scheffels, of the brokerage firm of C. H. Scheffels & Co., brought to a dramatic close today one of the longest trials on record in the United States court here.

MAN WON'T ACCEPT SYMPATHY; STRANGER TAKES SHOT AT HIM

San Francisco, Calif., March 7.—Angered because he was not permitted to sympathize with George Donaldson over the death of the latter's wife, John Fahey drew a revolver early today and fired twice at the widower. Neither shot took effect but Fahey was arrested.

MASSACHUSETTS RETAINS DEATH PENALTY STATUTE

Boston, March 7.—An anti-capital punishment measure, which might have saved the lives of three men under sentence of death, including Clarence V. T. Richeson, was defeated in the House today by a decisive vote.

SUFFRAGETTES RIOT AS THEY OUST MERE MAN

Iowa Political Equality Club in Up-roar, Asks Man Secretary to Resign

Des Moines, Ia., March 7.—Amidst scenes of wild disorder the political Equality Club this afternoon passed a resolution demanding the resignation of H. E. Gue as secretary of the joint committee, in charge of the woman's suffrage campaign.

When W. J. Robinson of the Men's League for Woman Suffrage spoke kindly of Gue, his words were drowned out by the stamping of feminine feet.

TAFT MANAGERS CALL MISSOURI PRIMARY VOID.

Washington, March 7.—In a statement today President Taft's campaign managers characterized the Kansas City primary as "illegal" and declared the results would be contested at the Chicago convention, and their action disregarded by the "Taft, Cummins and LaFollette men." The contesting delegation, it is said, will be chosen at a convention to be held March 7. The statement charged that the city and national primaries in Kansas City were "run together to control the selection of national delegates."

AROSEMA RESUMES OFFICE.

Panama, March 7.—Pablo Arosema today resumed the presidency of the Panama republic in response to appeals of friends.

KILLING IS CLIMAX OF CRIME CARNIVAL

MEXICAN REBELS REFUSED RIGHT TO SHIP RIFLES

Colonel Steever Stops Shipment of Guns and Ammunition, Through El Paso

CAIRO GIRL IS WORRIED

Miss Ida Frick Bothered Over Silence of Brother and Family—Many Leave

El Paso, Tex., March 7.—Shipments of arms and ammunition to Vasquistas rebels at Juarez, alleged to be in violation of the neutrality laws, were obstructed today by Col. Steever, commanding United States troops on duty along the Mexican border. The consignment of sixteen carbines and ten thousand rounds of ammunition to "James Smith," whom Col. Steever, on advice received from operatives of the departments of state and justice, characterizes as a "fictitious person" is being held at the United States immigration station, pending instructions from the war department.

The shipment detained by Col. Steever, is one of three which have been made in two days, all of which have occasioned the greatest concern in Texas.

On Tuesday a shipment of 200 rifles and 36,000 rounds of sharp nosed bullets was made. This was manifested and passed by the customs officers, acting, it is said, under instructions from Washington.

SILENCE OF RELATIVES WORRIES CAIRO GIRL

Miss Ida M. Frick, chief operator at the Central Union Telephone company, is very much worried over her failure to hear from her brother, Gilbert Frick, who has been at Monterey, Tex., the last three years.

Miss Frick said last night that her brother and his wife and children, were supposed to leave Monterey a week ago. She has not heard from them since.

According to Miss Frick, things are in a sad state about Monterey. She says that her sister-in-law, when she came here for a visit during the summer, had to make a detour of many miles because 30 miles of railroad had been torn up. This state of affairs has remained ever since and lately has become worse.

MANY AMERICANS GO THROUGH TUCSON, ARIZ.

Tucson, Ariz., March 7.—Many American men, women and children from the west coast of Mexico, arrived here today. According to their statement conditions in Mexico seemed normal as far south as Guaymas, but below that city was unrest and anti-American feeling was manifested.

DE LA BARRA SAYS MEXICO WILL BE ABLE TO STOP TROUBLE

Paris, France, March 7.—The belief that Mexico would emerge triumphant from its recent internal troubles and some words of friendship from the United States of America were expressed by Francisco de la Barra, formerly provisional president of Mexico, at a reception given in his honor here, this afternoon, by the Franco-American committee.

CHICAGO FIRE HURTS TWO.

Chicago, March 7.—Fire which destroyed an eight story brick building on Washington street, today, resulted in the serious injury of two men and a property loss estimated at \$150,000.

SALOON MAN SHOT TO DEATH TRYING TO STOP ROBBERY

Highwaymen Enter Paducah Bar Two Blocks From Police Station and Rob Thirty

MANY WOMEN ARE VICTIMS

Compelled to Get Out of Bed and Show Jewelry to Burglars—More Than 100 Crimes

Paducah, Ky., March 7.—As the culmination of a series of more than 100 holdups and burglaries during the past winter, two highwaymen at 8:15 o'clock tonight shot and killed Ollie Dugden, 39 years old, when he attempted to prevent their robbing his place. The shooting happened within two blocks of the police station.

After the shooting the men robbed 25 or 30 men, who were standing in the barroom and then calmly backed out. The robbery occupied probably half an hour, and during this time Dugden was lying behind his bar dead.

Backed Men Into Place.
According to some of the men, who were in the saloon at the time, the highwaymen entered the front door as two men were going out. Not wishing to overlook anyone, the robbers compelled the pair to back into the room with their hands over their head.

After backing the men into the saloon, the robbers ordered everyone to "elevate." Everyone obeyed excepting Dugden. He dived back of the bar and reached for an automatic revolver. He obtained the revolver and started to raise up, when one of the robbers fired. The bullet struck Dugden over the left eye, killing him instantly.

Didn't Mind Killing.
After the shooting, the highwaymen, apparently not worried about the matter, went through the pockets of the men. They obtained \$50 or \$60, in this way and then one of them walked behind the bar, and after stepping over the body of Dugden, robbed the cash register and safe. More than \$3100 was taken from the safe and from the patrons of the place.

Paducah has been infested with robbers all winter. More than 100 crimes have been committed and not one has been cleared up.

The citizens are excited over the culmination of the affair and are demanding that something be done. The town is terrorized and women and children are afraid to stay at home alone at night.

Women Are Robbed.
Several of the robberies have been of the most outrageous kind. Women have had their rooms entered and the robbers would awaken them and compel them to show where they had placed their jewelry. Men have been awakened and forced to show the robbers where they keep their money.

The robbers have worked with impunity, despite the fact that the police force is large enough to cover the town in good shape. There are eleven bloodhounds here and they haven't even caught a rabbit.

Police Are Slow.
The police had not really started work on the catching of the murderers at 11 o'clock. Everybody was standing about talking about how it happened and trying to figure it out. As a matter of fact, though, the police have very little to go on. Every man in the place has a different description of the men. Some say they were clean shaven, others say both had whiskers, while there is a wide range in the color of their hair and their complexions. All are agreed that the men were not masked.